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Information Required of Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Section 17 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder

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<sup>\*</sup>Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)



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### OATH OR AFFIRMATION

Terrence D. Marr	, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of
-	anying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of
December 31	, 20 04 , are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
	proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account, except as follows:
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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

TO THE MEMBER AND DIRECTORS OF NIA SECURITIES, LLC:

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of NIA Securities, LLC as of December 31, 2004 and the related statements of operations, changes in member's equity and cash flows for the year then ended that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of NIA Securities, LLC at December 31, 2004 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Anchin, Block & Anchin LLP

New York, New York February 1, 2005

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

# **DECEMBER 31, 2004**

# <u>ASSETS</u>

Cash Commissions receivable Receivable from brokers and dealers Deposit with clearing broker Other	<b>\$</b>	64,050 66,664 18,733 100,000 25,567
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$</u>	275,014
LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY		
LIABILITIES: Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	113,872
MEMBER'S EQUITY		161,142
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY	<u>\$</u>	275,014

### **STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

REVENUES		\$ 1,295,788
EXPENSES:		
Commissions	\$ 947,062	
Clearance charges and regulatory fees	75,103	
Salaries and payroll taxes	102,708	
Overhead expenses	135,000	
Other	23,536	
Total Expenses		1,283,409
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS		12,379
OTHER INCOME (LOSS):		
Unrealized loss on warrants		(19,181)
NET LOSS		\$ (6,802)

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBER'S EQUITY

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

Member's Equity, January 1, 2004	\$ 209,031
Distribution	(41,087)
Net loss	 (6,802)
Member's Equity, December 31, 2004	\$ 161,142

# **STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

# CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

Net loss		\$	(6,802)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in			
operating activities:	•		
(Increase) decrease in:			
Commissions receivable	\$ (19,684)		
Receivable from brokers and dealers	(17,286)		
Other	1,121		
Increase in:			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,378		
Total adjustments			(33,471)
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities			(40,273)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Member distribution			(41,087)
NET DECREASE IN CASH			(81,360)
CASH:			
Beginning of year			145,410
End of year		<u>\$</u>	64,050

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

#### Organization:

NIA Securities, LLC (the "Company") was organized in New Jersey on February 3, 1998, as a limited liability company. The Company is wholly owned by NIA Group, LLC ("Parent"). The articles of organization provide for the Company to continue until December 31, 2048 unless dissolved sooner.

#### Principal Business Activity:

The Company was formed to engage in broker-dealer activities involving the sale of mutual funds, variable annuities and variable insurance products on an agency basis throughout the United States. The Company receives commissions from insurance companies and mutual funds for the sales of their products. The Company is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (NASD).

#### Financial Statement Estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles may require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Commissions Receivable:

The Company's commissions receivable are recorded at amounts billed to customers, and presented on the balance sheet net of the allowance for doubtful accounts, if required. The allowance is determined by a variety of factors, including the age of the receivables, current economic conditions, historical losses and other information management obtains regarding the financial condition of customers. The policy for determining the past due status of receivables is based on how recently payments have been received. Receivables are charged off when they are deemed uncollectible, which may arise when customers file for bankruptcy or are otherwise deemed unable to repay the amounts owed to the Company.

#### Warrants:

Stock warrants (included in other assets) are valued at market, which approximates fair value.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED):

#### Income Taxes:

No provision is required for federal and state taxes on the income of the Company. Under the Internal Revenue Code and similar state regulations the Company is treated as a disregarded entity; accordingly, the income of the Company is taxed to the member.

#### Revenue and Expense Recognition:

Commission income and related expense are recorded on an accrual basis as the transactions occur.

#### NOTE 2- CASH SEGREGATED UNDER FEDERAL AND OTHER REGULATIONS:

The Company is not required to maintain a special reserve bank account for the benefit of customers under Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission under Section K(2)ii of the Rule.

#### **NOTE 3 - NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS:**

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1.

At December 31, 2004, the Company had net capital of \$114,492, which was \$106,901 in excess of its required minimum net capital of \$7,591. The Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 0.99 to 1.

#### NOTE 4 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS:

During the year the Company had the following transactions with its parent company:

Commission income	\$ 141,470
Commission expense	\$ 211,551
Overhead expenses	\$ 135,000

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 4 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED):

The Company has an agreement with the parent company whereby the parent would pay on behalf of the Company primarily all of the overhead and administrative expenses. The parent charges the Company for its share of expenses. A fee of \$135,000 was charged for the Company's allocable share of rent, utilities, home office expense, professional fees and employee benefits.

Included in commissions receivable is \$21,083 due from the parent and included in accounts payable and accrued expenses is \$36,196 due to the parent.

#### NOTE 5 - PROFIT SHARING PLAN:

The Company participates in an affiliate's 401(k) defined contribution profit sharing plan which covers all eligible employees. The plan provides for a discretionary matching policy which allows the Company to match 30% of employee contributions of up to 6%.

#### NOTE 6 - CREDIT RISK CONCENTRATION:

The Company maintains accounts in a bank primarily in New Jersey. There was no excess of deposit balances reported by one bank over amounts covered by federal insurance at December 31, 2004.

#### NOTE 7- SUBSEQUENT EVENT:

The Company entered into a settlement agreement on January 11, 2005 with 2 former employees in connection with a 2004 NASD arbitration filing. The former employees will pay to the Company a total of \$80,000 in two equal installments of \$40,000, the first of which was received on January 24, 2005 and the second is due on or before January 18, 2006. This income will be recognized in the 2005 financial statements.



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION REQUIRED BY RULE 17a-5 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

# TO THE MEMBER AND DIRECTORS OF NIA SECURITIES, LLC:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of NIA Securities, LLC as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004 and have issued our report thereon dated February 1, 2005. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained in the accompanying schedule is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Anchin, Block & Anchin LA

New York, New York February 1, 2005

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WITH COMPUTATION INCLUDED IN THE REPORT PURSUANT TO RULE 17a-5(d)

### AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004

TOTAL MEMBER'S EQUITY QUALIFIED FOR NET CAPITAL	\$ 161,142
NONALLOWABLE ASSETS	45,731
NET CAPITAL BEFORE HAIRCUTS ON SECURITIES POSITIONS	115,411
HAIRCUTS ON SECURITIES	919
NET CAPITAL	114,492
MINIMUM NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT OF 6 2/3% OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS OF \$113,872 OR \$5,000 WHICHEVER IS GREATER	7,591
EXCESS NET CAPITAL	<u>\$ 106,901</u>
RECONCILIATION WITH COMPANY'S COMPUTATION (INCLUDED IN PART II OF FORM X-17A-5 AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004)	
NET CAPITAL, AS REPORTED IN COMPANY'S PART II UNAUDITED FOCUS REPORT	\$ 90,036
ALLOWABLE ASSETS ERRONEOUSLY REPORTED AS NONALLOWABLE	32,560
INCREASE IN ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES	(8,104)
DIFFERENCES DUE TO AUDIT ADJUSTMENTS	24,456
NET CAPITAL, PER REPORT PURSUANT TO RULE 17a-5(d)	<u>\$ 114,492</u>
TOTAL AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS	<u>\$ 113,872</u>
RATIO OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS TO NET CAPITAL	0.99 to 1

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL BY SEC RULE 17a-5

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS NIA SECURITIES, LLC:

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements and supplemental schedule of NIA Securities, LLC (the "Company") for the year ended December 31, 2004, we considered its internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g), in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications and comparisons
- 2. Recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13
- 3. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in any internal control or the practices and procedures referred to above, errors or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

Our consideration of the internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving the internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the

second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in

accordance with the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices

and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material

inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the

Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2004 to meet the SEC's

objectives.

This report recognizes that it is not practicable in an organization the size of NIA Securities,

LLC to achieve all the divisions of duties and cross-checks generally included in a system of internal

accounting control and that, alternatively, greater reliance must be placed on surveillance by

management.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Board of Directors, management,

the SEC, the National Association of Securities Dealers and other regulatory agencies which rely on

Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers

and dealers and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified

parties.

Anchin, Block & Anchin LLP

New York, New York February 1, 2005